THE MINISTER FOR CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No, Sir. (b) and (c) Do not arise.

Proposals for promotion of tourism from A.P. Govt., pending with the Central Govt.

1563. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the proposals received from Andhra Pradesh for promotion of Tourism with the Central Government which are pending for approval; and

(b) what is the stage of consideration at which the proposals are lying?

THE MINISTER FOR CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) No proposal is pending for sanction, which was sent by the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Summer holiday packages announced by ITDC

1564. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the India Tourism Development Corporation have recently announced summer holiday packages "Ashok Fund Holiday" in the Ashok Group of Hotels; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. ITDC has recently announced summer holiday packages known as 'Ashok Fund Holidays' in the Ashok Group of Hotels under the following categories:

Category	*Package Rates*
Elite	Rs. 1888/-
Classic	Rs. 1444/-
Comfort	Rs. 1111/-

Each package is for 2 nights/3 days and is valid upto 31st October, 1993.

Dispute between ITDC Management and its workers

1565. SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of industrial disputes presently pending before various labour courts/Industrial Tribunals|High Courts| Supreme Court between ITDC management and its workers;

(b) when did each of these dispute arise and at what stage each dispute is presently pending;

(c) what had been the expenditure of ITDC legal department during the last three years, separate figures for each year;

(d) what is the number of disputes that were settled by ITDC management across the table during the last three years and what is the amount involved in each settlement; and

(e) whether ITDC management has conducted any negotiation recently in this regard, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Crash of Indian Airlines Planes at Aurangabad on 26th April, 1993

1566. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an Indian airlines Boeing 737 aircraft

crashed on 26th April, 1993 after taking off from Aurangabad airport;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the loss of human lives and the properties;

(c) whether any preliminary investigations have been conducted;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what steps Government has contemplated to avoid recurrence of such accidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) After take off, the wheel gear of the aircraft had hit a high-rise truck loaded with cotton, passing on the road outside the perimeter wall. The landing gear of the aircraft broke off and the aircraft swerved to the left. Thereafter, it hit a power transmission line and crashed in a field about 7 k.m. away from the airport. The aircraft broke into pieces and caught fire. 53 passengers and 2 crew members lost their lives.

(c) and (d) Preliminary report of investigation by the Inspector of Accidents appointed by DGCA has not yet been received.

(e) Measures, such as implementation of recommendations emanating from investigation of aircraft accidents, dissemination of safety information, monitoring of cockpit voice recorders, carrying out periodic inspection of aerodromes, implementation of measures for eradication of bird menace at airports etc. are taken to improve air safety.

Rules and Regulation Governing issue of Complementary Air Tickets

1567. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of rules and regulations governing the issue of complementary air tickets to the employees of Air India and Indian Airlines, including the members of their families, parents etc; and

(b) whether they are entitled to visit any place in the country and abroad during a year, if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The details of the free|concessional passages to which the employees of Air India and Indian Airlines and their family members are entitled under the Passage Regulations are indicated in Statement I.

and II attached (See below).

(b) Normally, the employees are allowed to travel on the services of the respective airline; there is a provision for travel by other airline, subject to guideines in this regard. However, all travel by free|concessional tickets is subject to load basis i.e. subject to the availability of seats.